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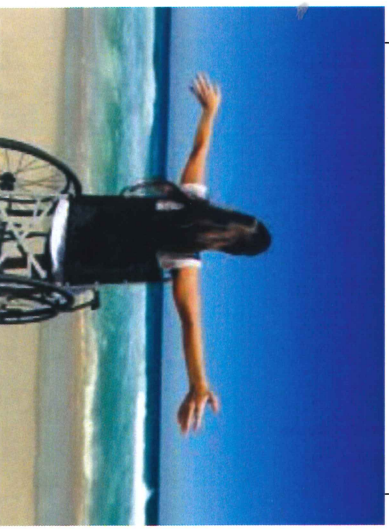
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Barren River Personal Care Attendant Program



**Providing personal care attendant
services to mentally alert, severely
physically disabled adults in the
Barren River Area Development
District**

Serving Allen, Barren, Butler,
Edmonson, Hart, Logan, Metcalfe,
Monroe, Simpson, and Warren Counties



Program Focus

The Personal Care Attendant Program (PCAP) is designed especially for severely physically disabled persons who want to live independently at home but need the help of a personal care attendant and the financial assistance necessary to hire an attendant.

The program is designed to provide severely physically disabled adults (at risk of institutional care) the opportunity to live within their own homes and communities.

The program coordinator will assist the physically disabled adult in securing personal care attendant services. The physically disabled adult chooses and hires the person(s) most appropriate to meet his/her individual needs. The physically disabled adult is assisted in independent living by provision of a subsidy for the personal care attendant services, and is responsible for payment of fringes and taxes.



Program Eligibility

The Personal Care Attendant Program assists mentally capable severely disabled adults 18 years of age or older with permanent, temporary, or recurring functional loss of two or more limbs. Applicants must also meet income level eligibility criteria.

The physically disabled adult must be dependent on others to carry out one or more activities like feeding, transferring, toileting, dressing, and bathing. Also, assistance with activities like shopping, light housekeeping, and laundry may be needed.

The physically disabled adult must be capable of management responsibilities including, but not limited to, the hiring, supervising, instructing, and firing of the attendant if necessary. The physically disabled adult must need no less than fourteen (14) hours of attendant care per week or need an attendant at night. He or she must be living or be capable of living in a non-institutional setting.

Learning to be a Supervisor

The participant (physically disabled person) will be trained individually in skills needed to become an employer.

The Evaluation Team

The program has a three member evaluation team composed of a program coordinator, and at least two of the following:

Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist, Registered Nurse, Director of the qualified agency, a fiscal officers of the qualified agency, a mental health provider, and an in-home service coordinator or another entity involved in the participant's care. The PCAP program coordinator and the evaluation team will come to the physically disabled adult's home for an assessment. The program coordinator will work with and assist the participant in all aspects of the attendant program.

The Attendant

The attendant is a person who is 18 years of age or older. The attendant should have a good work attendance record and be comfortable working with a physically challenged person.

The personal care attendant will be capable of assisting in routine bodily functions, turning, repositioning, transferring, and assisting in ambulation and emergency procedures when needed.